REMARKS

Claims 1-54 are pending in the application. Claims 14, 15, 25, 35, 41 and 47-54 stand withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-10, 16-20, 23, 24, 27, 29, 33, 34, 36-40 and 42-46 stand rejected. Claims 11-13, 21, 22, 26, 28 and 30-32 stand objected to. By this amendment claims 1-5, 23, 33, 34, 36-40, and 42-46 have been cancelled.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and the remarks hereinbelow.

Allowable Subject Matter:

Claims 11-13, 21, 22, 26, 28 and 30-32 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. However, the Examiner has indicated that these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 11 now stands in independent form and claims 6-10, 12, 13, and 16-20 now each ultimately depend upon claim 11. Claims 21 and 22 have been amended and stand in independent form. Claim 26 has also been amended and now stands in independent form. Claims 27, 28 and 29 each depend upon claim 26. Claims 30, 31 and 32 have been amended and are now in independent form that is believed to be consistent with the indication of allowable subject matter.

Claims 12 and 13 have been further amended for clarification purposes. Claim 16 has been further amended to correct grammar. Claims 17, 19 and 21 have further been amended for clarification. Claim 22 has been further amended to make claim 22 consistent with the specification at page 14, lines 21-31, and page 15, lines 1-9.

It is respectfully submitted, therefore, that in view of the above amendments and remarks, that this application is now in condition for allowance, prompt notice of which is earnestly solicited.

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